



Command Sergeant Major Chad Blansett

Command Sergeant Major, 15th Engineer Battalion

Command Sergeant Major Chad Blansett entered the U.S. Army on 1 April 1992, and he attended Basic Combat Training and the Heavy Construction Equipment Operator (12N) Course at Fort Leonardwood Missouri. His duty assignments include the ACO, 27th Engineer Battalion (C) (A) from 1992-1999; BCO, 535th Engineer Support Company and HSC within 94th Engineer Battalion from 1999-2006; BCO, 37th Engineer Battalion (C) (A) from 2006-2008; 618th Engineer Support Company (A); 196th Infantry Brigade from 2011-2012. He also served with the Division Headquarters of the 1st Armored Division in 2013.

Command Sergeant Major Blansett's Peacekeeping and Combat tours include Operation Restore Democracy, Haiti (1994), Operation Joint Guardian in Kosovo (1999, 2001), Operation Iraqi Freedom in Iraq (2003, 2005 and 2007), and Operation Enduring Freedom (2006, 2010).

Command Sergeant Major Blansett is a graduate of the Basic Airborne Course, Air Assault Course, 82nd ABN Advanced Airborne School (Jumpmaster), Sapper Leader Course, Warrior Leader Course (WLC), Advance Leader Course (ALC), Senior Leader Course (SLC), First Sergeant Course, the Sergeants Major Academy (Class 63), 82nd Airborne Division's Air Movement Course, Jungle Operations Training Course (Panama), Master Fitness Course, and the Master Driver Course.

Command Sergeant Major Blansett's military decorations include the Bronze Star Medal (2OLC), Meritorious Service Medal (1OLC), Army Commendation Medal (4OLC), Army Achievement Medal (1OLC), Combat Action Badge, Master Parachutist Badge, Senior Parachutist Badge, Air Assault Badge, Sapper Tab, Drivers Badge (3 clasps), Japanese Parachutist Badge, Presidential Unit Citation, Valorous Unit Award, Meritorious Unit Commendation, and the Superior Unit Award.